

What You Should Do During a Boil Water Advisory

Use bottled or boiled water for the following:

- Drinking
- Making ice
- Brushing teeth
- Preparing and cooking food
- Mixing with formula for babies

How to Boil Water

Heat water in a clean container on the stove until it reaches a rolling boil. Let it boil for 1 minute. Let it cool and store in a clean container. Add a pinch of salt or shake to remove the flat taste.

You Can Drink

- Bottled or boiled water
- Other bottled drinks or drinks made from bottled or boiled water

Cooking Food

- Wash fruits and vegetables with bottled or boiled
- Boil water for 1 minute before you add food to cook
- Wash countertops and tables with boiled water
- Use a dishwasher with rinse temperature of 150°F or sanitize cycle, or wash dishes with hot tap water and soak in a bleach solution (1 teaspoon bleach per gallon of water)

Ice

- Do not use ice from ice trays or ice makers
- Make new ice with bottled or boiled water

Brushing Your Teeth

- Use bottled or boiled water

Laundry:

- You can do laundry as usual

Pets

- To be safe, give your pets bottled or boiled water

Bathing/Washing Hands

- It is safe to bathe or shower in tap water, but be sure not to get the water in your nose or mouth. People with open wounds or infants should use boiled or bottled water
- Wash hands with warm water and antibacterial soap

Most advisories will last for 24 hours.

This is the time it takes to test the water. Please pay attention to the local news for updates.

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When the boil water advisory is cancelled:

- Run all cold water faucets or anything connected to cold water lines for at least 5 minutes
- Flush home ice makers by making and getting rid of 3 batches of ice
- Drain and refill hot water heaters if the heater was set below 113°F